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Sir:

Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention the related parent patent application, U.S. Serial No. 08/624,635, filed October 10, 1996, which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. For the convenience of the Examiner, copies of the PTO Forms 1449 are enclosed. Copies of the documents will be found in the above-referenced parent application.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and their consideration be made of written record in the application file.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the continuation application; therefore, no fee is deemed necessary. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1355.

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